

Bullying and Harassment Violations:

Laredo Independent School District prohibits conduct that consists of bullying or harassment. In addition to the penalties and consequences set forth in this Student Code of Conduct and the Texas Family Code, on the request of the parents or legal guardian of a student being victimized by such conduct as determined by the Board of Trustees or designee, the victim may receive a transfer to a different classroom at the victim's campus or a different campus within the district at the time the bullying occurs. Verification of bullying must be confirmed prior to the transfer of such student.

The Board of Trustees or its designee may transfer the student who engaged in bullying to a different classroom at the victim's campus or a different campus within the district at the time the bullying occurs, in consultation with a parent or legal guardian of the student who engaged in bullying. The transfer of a student with a disability who receives special education services and who engaged in bullying may be made only by a duly constituted ARD committee under Education Code 37.004.

The determination of the Board of Trustees or its designee is final and may not be appealed. The District is not required to provide transportation to a student who transfers to another campus because of bullying. (Education Code 25.0342)

Bullying is engaging in written or verbal expression through electronic means or physical conduct. This includes: (1) including a gesture that occurs on school property, at a school-sponsored or school-related activity, or in a vehicle operated by the district (2) having the effect of physically harming a student, damaging a student's property or placing a student in reasonable fear of harm to the student's person or of damage to the student's property; or (3) is sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive enough that the action or threat creates an intimidating, threatening or abusive educational environment for a student.

Bullying is when one person uses power in a willful manner with the aim of hurting another individual repeatedly. Bullying is aggression that takes many forms including: physical, verbal and psychological. The district discourages any bullying or hazing on social media (text, phone, Facebook).

1st Offense – Warning/bullying contract

2nd Offense –In school suspension (ISS)

3rd Offense – Change to another campus

4th Offense - Consideration and possible placement at the Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP).